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available, do you mind if I rework the amendment to leave your dollar figure the same but earmark \$92,000 of it for this particular project.

SENATOR CLARK: Well, I don't think you can earmark the money, and if it is an emergency, the Governor has a right to use it now, Senator Lewis. I don't think you could possibly earmark for any one emergency. If it is, it is up to him to put the money in.

SENATOR F. LEWIS: Well, Mr. Chairman, at that point, I would like to amend my amendment, if I might. I will send that up but I would like to speak to it now in order to facilitate the movement of time, which obviously is the essence of many people's opinion today. My amendment would be that we keep those original figures in there but specifically earmark \$92,000 of the same for Program 192 for the purpose delineated. Vince, do you understand what I want to do on that?

CLERK: Mr. President, this, essentially, is like the one that was. It says, renumber...let me see. I don't understand what you struck out.

SENATOR F. LEWIS: Nothing, that is just an insert afterwards so you would have to renumber the lines.

CLERK: Page 8 line 11 and 12 insert 392, renumber and insert after line 12 92,000 of the total shall be used for the protection et cetera.

SENATOR F. LEWIS: The amendment thusly says that we keep the dollar level the same but we specifically earmark the 92,000 dollars of it to be spent specifically for flood protection for Chris and Hanson Lake areas in Sarpy County.

PRESIDENT: Senator DeCamp.

SENATOR DeCAMP: Then I have a question of either Senator Marvel or Senator Lewis. I can accept this type of an amendment but let's assume the Governor line item vetoes that. Does that mean, then, that the emergency fund is effectively decreased by 90,000 and some dollars?

SENATOR F. LEWIS: Well, if that point happens, I am sure one of the options most available to us, of course, is the override and I can't predict what he does.

SENATOR DeCAMP: No, I was just...for informational purposes, is this correct, Senator Marvel? Senator Marvel has an answer, I believe.

SENATOR MARVEL: If I understand Senator Lewis' amendment, it would not increase the \$300,000. It would simply, within that 300,000, earmark 92,000 for that one project. If the Governor line itemed that, in my opinion, it would not effect the 300,000.

SENATOR DeCAMP: So that the emergency fund would still remain at the same amount, theoretically?

SENATOR MARVEL: Yes, sir.